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SUPPRESSING PUBLICITY

SOME Nevada statesmen who hold forth at Carson City and perpetually advocate revision of laws that would take away what little business the local printer gets from his county should take a run over into Mono county to have their eyes opened. In that county, with a total of seventy-five families bearing the brunt of taxes, the rate for printing the delinquent tax list is \$3.50 an inch compared with the Nevada rate of \$2 for each property description, which frequently extends over half a column of space. It is pleasing to observe that the father of the bill providing for doing away with the publication of the delinquent tax list has had a moment of temporary sanity in which he tabled his own bill.

Appropos of printing it may be said that a certain assemblyman named Boucher who, at one time fathered an alleged newspaper venture in Humboldt county would have the legal rate of printing cut in half so that his successor will not profit from that source while holding down the newspaper plant. It would be gross exaggeration to credit Mr. Boucher with having ever been the publisher of a newspaper since he operated with only a couple of kids who kicked off the edition in a few minutes after school hours. The present legal rate is none too high, all things being considered. In this state wages and material are higher than any where else, while the patronage from regular advertising is much less through the fatuous action of wageearners in preferring to deal with mail order houses rather than with the home merchant who rarely ever spends a dollar in exploiting his own business. Elko county, which is regarded as one of the most prosperous counties in this vast state, finds two publishers who are taking the bull by the horns and cutting down their daily issues to tri-weekly publications. This is one direct result of the administration arrogating to itself the right of operating all public utilities and robbing the local publicity agent of the few dollars he receives in patronage from railroads, telegraph, telephone and express companies without any compensating balance. If Nevada does not seek self banishment by effacing the printer from its soil the lawmakers better take a shot of invigorating ginger and do something to subsidize the men who are boosting state interest day and night.

HELP ARRIVES TOO LATE

THE suggestion that Nevada appropriate \$2,000,000 to establish a revolving fund for the benefit of returning soldiers comes too late to be of much value to the boys from the trenches and domestic antagonists who, to the number of \$1,000,000, have been turned loose to rustle for themselves. Another million is waiting for discharge. The idea is all right but the manner of application is not exactly what the people of Nevada would wish to see. It is proposed to spend this entire sum in locating soldiers and sailors on the Carson-Truckee reclamation project which has been one of the most dismal failures of the reclamation service. No reason is assigned for giving this project the full benefit of the fund which of itself is an excellent measure and one which should have been acted on as soon as the legislature organized. Nevada has 9,000,000 acres of land waiting to be occupied. Some of this is excellently located with good water supply and within easy reach of markets to which the Carson City statesmen appear blind. The Truckee project is such a failure that few of the original settlers remain. These men and women were lured by a heartless, unconscionable government to pay for water that never was delivered and to cover the cost of lands on which a coyote would starve. The water supply of that project has been held in subjection through procrastination of the interior department and its inefficient engineers until the locality has received a black eye from which it cannot recover for many years to come. Through the apathy of the worn out settlers the only sugar factory in Nevada was throttled after several ineffectual attempts to operate. Under the benignant administration of the reclamation project the overhead costs to the farmers were so great that they could not afford to raise beets for a dollar a ton more than what was paid the farmers of Utah. The status of the enterprise may be conjectured from the fact that the citizens of Churchill county wish to overcome the prejudices of inquiring colonists by raising a fund of \$2,000,000 to enable families to enter and cultivate the big fifteen million dollar farm in which Uncle Sam was fifteen years in making a half baked job. If Nevada is going to assist the patriots who rushed to the defense of their country let the money be staked in an open market where the government has any God's quantity of idle land which should be given the boys without any strings attached. Then there would be some sense in using a revolving fund to furnish working capital, tools and homes.

CHAIRMAN OF FINANCE

MR. PINCHOT'S public demand that Senator Penrose decline the chairmanship of the committee on finance when the Republicans resume control of the senate after the 4th of March, inferentially concedes that under all senate precedents Mr. Penrose is entitled to the position, and, unwittingly, it is a reflection not so much on Mr. Penrose as upon the integrity and ability of the senate itself, particularly the Republican senators, and a still greater reflection upon the patriotism and intelligence of the electorate of the great state of Pennsylvania—the second state in the union in population and wealth.

There is no question as to Senator Penrose's ability. In 1881 he graduated from Harvard near the head of his class. He studied law with Wayne MacVeagh and after admission to the bar practiced in his home city. His neighbors elected him to the Pennsylvania house of representatives and to the state senate for a period of thirteen years, after which the legislature elected him to the United States senate for three terms of six years each before any

party caucus was held. In 1914 he was re-elected by the people by a vote of 519,801 as against 269,265 for Mr. Pinchot and 266,415 for Mr. Palmer. Mr. Penrose defeated each of his opponents by a vote of practically two to one.

CHICAGO AMERICANS SWINGING INTO LINE

(By Associated Press)

(CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Members of the Chicago Americans are rapidly swinging into line. All of the star players, with the exception of Joe Jackson, who deserted the club last season for a shipyard engagement, have placed signatures to 1919 contracts.

There is a persistent rumor that a trade involving Jackson is under consideration, although President Comiskey, who denounced the hard hitting outfielder for quitting the club, is silent on the subject. Jackson, according to reports, may be traded to the Detroit club in an exchange for either Bobby Veach, Harry Hellman or Owen Bush.

President Comiskey, however, probably will do nothing in regard to Jackson's case until the arrival of Manager "Kid" Gleason in Chicago, to assume active control of the club. B fore reporting here, Gleason may visit "Shoelace Joe" at his South Carolina home to learn how he feels about returning to the game.

Ray Sechak, the club's star catcher, and outfielders Felsch and Liebold

are among the latest to sign up for the season. Others include Pitchers "Ped" Faber, Eddie Cicotte and Joe Benz. In addition to a number of promising recruits, Eddie Collins, premier second baseman of the league, is expected back to serve the last year of his five-year contract. President Comiskey expects one of the greatest seasons in history of baseball.

ARMY SALVAGE GOES TO STATES

(By Associated Press)

(WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—All army surplus property will not be thrown on the open market. A plan has been worked out whereby it will be offered for sale to the state institutions. It is hoped thus to prevent the flooding of the market with finished material and at the same time offer the state institu-

SUBMITTING IRISH QUESTION TO THE PARIS PEACE CONFERENCE

(Correspondence Associated Press)

(DUBLIN, Jan. 20.—Captain Stephen L. Gwynn, former Nationalist member of parliament, now chairman of the executive committee of the Irish Centre party, and several Irish Nationalist officers who served in the war, have sent an appeal to President Lloyd George to submit the Irish question to the peace conference.

Captain Gwynn was active in the voluntary recruiting in Ireland in the latter part of the war when it was feared that conscription would be imposed upon Ireland.

In a letter to the premier, Captain Gwynn and his associates say that the problem of Ireland could not be solved by the Irish question better described than in the words of President Poincare in outlining the

Irish question to the peace conference as being "to remake the map of the world and to adjust the rights of nations, small and great, to dispose of themselves."

In these terms, asserts Captain Gwynn and his fellow officers, "the peace conference is indicated as the only way in which Ireland's claim to home rule can be met. We speak not for ourselves alone, but for the tens of thousands of Irish Nationalists who went out with the same purpose that inspired us and of whom many thousands are now scattered again—we submit to the problem of Ireland could not be solved by the Irish question better described than in the words of President Poincare in outlining the

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BATTLESHIPS GO TO THE SCRAP HEAP

(By Associated Press)

(PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—Three of the old time leaders of the American navy have been condemned to the scrap heap. The Indiana, Massachusetts and Iowa, battleships, now in the basin of the Philadelphia navy yard, will shortly be destroyed as they have outlived their usefulness. Yet, twenty-five years ago, they were the equals of anything afloat. The Indiana class of battleship was regarded as a daring experiment. When the Indiana first went to sea all on board were impressed with the feeling that she might turn over with a heavy sea and go to the bottom.

Although the old battleships are still serviceable, and they were used in the world war, they are obsolete and are therefore destined for the naval morgue.

TAILORING SAMPLES

W. D. Elliott, formerly of Tonopah and now conducting business in Reno, has arrived with a full line of tailoring samples which he is showing patrons at the Mirpah hotel.

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